URBANA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MINUTES December 8, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: Daniel Larson, Lisa Mosley, Peter Resnick

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Frances Rigberg Baker, Carol Bradford, Rita Haber, Eric Smith, Aisha Lamb Sobh, Rizwan Uddin

STAFF PRESENT: Todd Rent

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Larson called the meeting of the Urbana Human Relations Commission to order at 5:35 p.m. A quorum was not present.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Due to the lack of a quorum, the agenda for this meeting was not officially approved.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Due to the lack of a quorum, the minutes of the November 10, 2010 meeting were not approved at this meeting.

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Boy Scouts Request for Funding

As the event for which the Boy Scouts were requesting funding had passed as of the date of this meeting, this item of business was stricken from the agenda.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. C.U.C.P.J. Report on I.D.O.T. Statistics

Durl Kruse, representing the Champaign-Urbana Citizens for Peace and Justice (C.U.C.P.J.), addressed the Commission with his analysis of traffic stop data from the Illinois Department of Transportation (I.D.O.T.). Mr. Kruse was assisted by the Rev. Troy Burke, President-Elect of the Champaign County Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (N.A.A.C.P.). Questions and comments from the Commission were addressed both during Mr.

Kruse's presentation as well as following the same. On behalf of the C.U.C.P.J., Mr. Kruse recommended to the Commission the formation of a joint committee consisting of citizens, City staff, Urbana Police Department staff, Human Relations Commissioners and Civilian Police Review Board members. The purpose of this suggested committee would be to review and monitor Urbana's traffic stop statistics and guard against disparate treatment of those civilians involved in said traffic stops.

Following Mr.Kruse's presentation, the Commission was addressed by Bill Brown, Chapter President of the Champaign County Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (A.C.L.U.). On behalf of the A.C.L.U. Champaign County Chapter, Mr. Brown stated his wish to echo the findings of the C.U.C.P.J., including its recommendation for the creation of a joint review committee.

Further Commission questions were addressed by both Mr. Brown and Mr. Kruse. Commission and staff discussion followed.

B. Request for Authorization of Commission Funds to Conduct Analysis of I.D.O.T. Traffic Stop Statistics

Mr. Rent introduced this item to the Commission and began discussion. Due to the lack of a quorum, no official action was taken on this item.

VII. STAFF REPORT

A. Approval of EEO Workforce Statistics

The EEO Workforce Statistics presented for review were as follows:

- ABC Sanitary Hauling
 - o Recommend 2 years
- Wells Fargo Insurance Services USA, Inc.
 - o Recommend 6 months
- Martin Equipment of Illinois, Inc.
 - o Recommend 2 years

Due to the lack of a quorum, no approvals were made at this meeting. All three of the above referenced approvals were deferred to the January 2011 meeting of the Human Relations Commission.

B. HRO Activity Report

Mr. Rent reviewed the monthly complaint activity report.

C. Budget Report

There was nothing to report.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Rent announced that the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration would take place on Friday, January, 14, 2011, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Champaign.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chair Larson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Weck Recording Secretary